

REMARKS

The Official Action of July 6, 2006, and the prior art cited and relied upon therein have been carefully studied. The claims in the application are now claims 1-4 and 6-9, and these claims define patentable subject matter warranting their allowance. Favorable reconsideration and such allowance are respectfully urged.

Claim 5 has been canceled. Claims 1-4 and 6-9 remain in the application for consideration.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his indication that claims 5-7 would be allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form. In response, Applicant has added the features of allowable claim 5 to independent claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 is now allowable along with dependent claims 2-4 and 6-9, and that this application is now in condition for allowance.

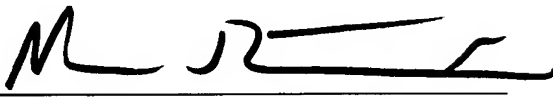
The prior art documents made of record and not relied upon have been noted along with the implication that such documents are deemed by the PTO to be insufficiently pertinent to warrant their applications against any of applicant's claims.

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Favorable reconsideration and allowance are
earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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